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# NEW ENGLAND GRIPPED BY STORM; TOWN MANAGER PLAN SUCCESS

## Springfield Pleased With New System

### Editor Stone Finds Citizens Enthusiastic Over New Government

By Arthur F. Stone  
(Editor Caledonian-Record)

The town manager system is a success in Springfield, Vermont, and the municipality starts its fourth year with all bills paid, with money in the bank running into thousands of dollars, and about everybody satisfied except a few who have

## PLANS HOTEL AND RAILWAY AT OWL'S HEAD

Edward Audinwood of  
Derby Line Buys  
Property

Old Owl's Head mountain, which has towered in lonely grandeur over the beautiful waters of Lake Memphremagog for so many years, may sometime become a popular mecca for pleasure seekers from the cities, and a scene of gayety and bustling activity if the dreams of Edward Audinwood of Derby Line come true.

Mr. Audinwood, who is a prosperous business man of Derby Line, has bought several hundred acres of C. A. K. MacPherson of Georgeville, which includes the Owl's Head Mountain House property and Owl's Head itself.

A large modern hotel and good automobile roads are planned, and an inclined railway with cable car to the top of the mountain like that of Mount Royal in Montreal is also under consideration.

There is no fairer spot on the Lake than at Owl's Head where there has been in the past two good summer hotels. There is a natural harbor, a fine beach, good fishing, and every natural advantage for the promotion of such a project.

And this reminds us that the idea of a railway to the top of the mountain would suit mightily some of the mountain climbing enthusiasts like Denny Goode of Boston and Frederick Taylor of New York, members of the Green Mountain Club, who came all the way to Newport to climb Jay Peak and then sat comfortably ensconced before a blazing wood fire at the Newport House and comfortably promoted the Long Trail while they ate a good dinner.

Meanwhile the party of eighty from Burlington did not balk at an inch or two of snow and scaled the frosty peak above the clouds.

U. V. M. WILL  
PLAY MARQUETTE  
MILWAUKEE, Dec. 29.—The Marquette University football team will meet the University of Vermont team here on Thanksgiving day, 1922.

DRASTIC POLITICAL  
ACTION IN JAPAN  
TOKIO, Dec. 29.—The Privy Council today passed a resolution condemning the policy of the Kato cabinet. Such action is unprecedented in the history of Japanese politics.

PRESIDENT OF THERMOS  
BOTTLE COMPANY DEAD  
NORWICH, Conn., Dec. 29.—William B. Walker, president of the American Thermos Bottle Co. of this city, died at his home in New London early today after a five weeks' illness of heart trouble.

ARBUCKLE MAY  
DIRECT FILM MAKING  
KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 29.—Will H. Hays, director general of the motion picture industry, said to the Woman's City Club today that Roscoe "Fatty" Arbuckle probably would not appear in any motion pictures again but would be given an opportunity to direct film production.

not been able to furnish the town with labor and supplies at their own price. This is because the town manager, J. B. Wright, demands of everyone value received and in making his purchases, except the small items, calls for competitive bids and plays no favorites. The selectmen and the school board, one of whom is a woman, are serving their three terms without pay and the village trustees are paid \$150 a year. And the three boards engage the town manager every year and he delivers the goods.

Springfield today has the ablest business men in the community on its board of selectmen—men who are known all over the state. The farmers are represented by J. L. Johnson, the manager of one of the best farms in Windsor county and in close touch with the agricultural interests. Everard Stubbs, the second member, is superintendent of the Pellets Gear Shaper Company, and the third member is Col. William D. Woolson, treasurer of the Jones and Lamson Company and a director or officer in many other Springfield corporations. The village is just as fortunate in its three trustees even if they are not as well known outside as the selectmen and they are as enthusiastic as the other board in the town management form of government.

While the school directors do not have as much to do with the system as the other boards they never throw a monkey wrench in the cogs and the three boards co-ordinate like the movement of a Swiss watch. And because of this co-operation and because of the efficiency of the town manager, Springfield has the best streets of any town in Vermont, the place is splendidly lighted, the taxes have been lowered, and all this has been accomplished against tremendous opposition the first year and through three years of depression in the big factories which in good times employed thousands of employees.

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## NEWPORT BREAKS RECORD HANDLING CHRISTMAS MAIL

1,000 Packages a Day  
Delivered Last Four  
Days

Few if any of those who watch early for the arrival of the Christmas package or message from faraway friends, realized the amount of work which this joyous season makes for the post office employees and carriers.

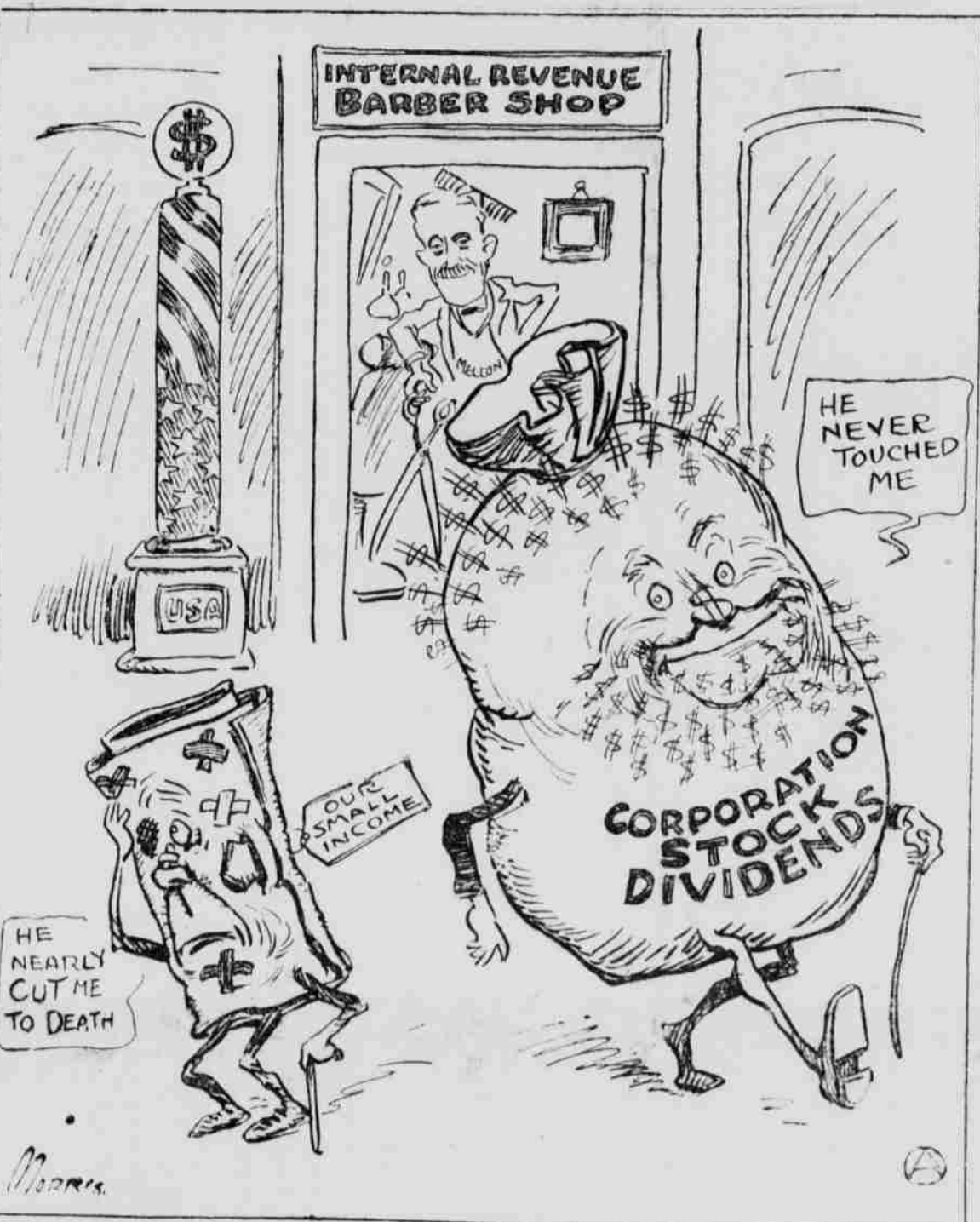
In a recent interview with the Newport postmaster, D. R. Stetson he stated that this year Christmas business was the largest in the history of the office. Over 55,000 letters and postal cards passed through the cancelling machine and mailed during the six days of Christmas week. One thousand packages a day were delivered during the last four days of the week.

Mr. Stetson also said that the packages were received this year in much better condition, well wrapped and tied, properly addressed with name of sender as well as the address. This is due perhaps to the repeated admonitions and directions posted outside for the education of patrons. The total number of packages for the week preceding Christmas day was approximately 8,000.

The amount of stamps sold for the year will run at least \$2,000 over that of last year. The business for the week averaged over \$100 a day more than that of the same week in 1921.

## THE LITTLE FELLOW GETS THE CLOSEST SHAVE

By MORRIS



## ALL COLLEGIANS LOSE TO COMPANY D IN FAST CONTEST

Visitors Give Locals  
Worse Scare of  
Year

Facing from the start, an attack that at any time during the game threatened to swamp them, the Company D basketball team in a last final spurt in which the name of Dumas figured in the leading role defeated the New Hampshire All Collegians by the score of 19 to 16 at the Armory last night.

Never in the annals of scale town basketball has a local team had to work harder for the points gained than last night. The visitors coming here with a reputation for winning, but underestimated to some extent by the locals, played a game that will go down in history as the greatest game ever seen on the Armory floor.

The credit for the game goes to none other than the original Dumas. With one minute left to go and the score tied 16 to 16 "Whitney" dashed from his position as the ball was tossed up and seized a snappy pass from his big running mate Goslant. Dooking an opposing guard and while beyond the middle of the floor from his basket, like the proverbial "Steve" Brody he took a chance and made it.

To pick any individual star from the ten men that performed would be an injustice. Lucky Fisk, Puss Connor and Curley Burns in the forward positions were prodigies of strength and agility. Puss failed to tally a field goal, but he did not get a lone point, but never have two men played harder ball and considering that their opponents were two of the fastest men that have ever invaded the tepee of the St. Johnsbury warriors it is not at all strange. Both Goslant and Dumas outdid themselves, and it was due to the seemingly untiring efforts of these great guards that the score was not reversed.

## NO HINDRENCE TO BIG YEAR AHEAD

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Stock taking of the nation's domestic business for the past year gives a feeling of satisfaction according to a statement issued by the Department of Commerce. "There are no serious obstacles in sight which should hinder further advances in the early new year," continues the report. Optimism born of the accomplishments of the past, which officials regard as a remarkable strengthening of the economic fabric, was evident throughout and the report called attention to the fact that the production of manufactured commodities was 50 per cent larger than in 1921. While the unsettled conditions in the foreign countries, particularly in Europe, are still depressing and to some extent have set the prices of agricultural products below the level of other commodities, these lowering conditions have been somewhat relieved within the last two months.

BUY CIGARETS  
FOR MILLION ROUBLES  
MOSCOW, Dec. 29.—American made cigarettes are now on sale here for about one million soviet roubles each. The Russian rouble has been fluctuating to such an extent that it has become a common occurrence for dealers to boost many articles billions of roubles over night.

COURTS TO SETTLE  
IRISH CONSULATE FIGHT  
NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—An amicable arrangement which precludes violence but permits picketing was in effect today at the Irish Consulate here, which has been besieged by Irish Republicans since Wednesday night when Lindsay Crawford with official papers appointing him Free State consul took over the office. Robert Brisco, who claims he is a member of the Irish Republican army, occupied one room of the office for the Republicans, and Mr. Crawford sat at a desk in another room representing the Free State. It was indicated that this arrangement would prevail until the matter could be settled in the courts.

FORMER SULTAN IS  
GOING TO MECCA  
MALTA, Dec. 29.—Former Sultan Mohammed VI of Turkey, it is understood will leave for Mecca next Monday aboard a British warship. He will presumably be landed at Jeddah, the port of Mecca on the Red Sea.

## OLD-TIME HACK DRIVER IS DEAD

Lothrop H. Lucas Family  
Figure In St. Johnsbury  
Many Years

A familiar figure has passed out of St. Johnsbury in the person of Lothrop H. Lucas who died Thursday afternoon at St. Johnsbury hospital following a brief illness of pneumonia. For many years before the advent of automobiles and for years after the Lucas hack driven by "Lote" Lucas as he was familiarly called, was the first sight to greet the eye at the railroad station. When the hacks gave way to the taxis, Mr. Lucas clung to his horse and antiquated vehicle and continued his hacking business until two months ago. For the past few years he had lived alone in his house on Hastings Hill with occasional visits to his children. He was found in his home alone Tuesday quite seriously ill and was taken to the hospital. Pneumonia developed and the end came about four o'clock Thursday.

Mr. Lucas belonged to one of the old families of this section. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Lucas of Peacham and was born in that place 76 years ago. He came when a young man to St. Johnsbury and the remainder of his life was spent here, many years of it in the house on Hastings Hill where he was found alone so seriously ill. The Lucas family home was on upper Main street on the site where now stands the hand-some residence of Mr. and Mrs. James Cosgrove.

About 30 years ago Mr. Lucas married Miss Catherine Peck of Danville and six children were born to them, two dying in infancy. The survivors are Alonzo of St. Johnsbury, Mary, wife of Earl Bonnett of Springfield, Mass., Emily, wife of Clyde Drown of St. Johnsbury and Ethel, wife of A. A. Carter of Holyoke, Mass. Mrs. Lucas died nine years ago. One of a large family Mr. Lucas is survived only by two brothers, David Lucas of Marshfield and Frank Lucas of Pasadena, Calif.

Funeral services will be held Saturday afternoon at 2:30 at Grace Methodist church and burial will be in Mt. Pleasant cemetery.

## Schooner Wrecked, Railroads Tied Up and Three Fatalities

### DEATH CLAIMS SKILLFUL JEWELER

Lucius Freeman Frye  
Was Native of  
Concord

L. F. Frye, jeweler of 87 Railroad street, died at his home, 5 Mt. Pleasant street, Friday morning, after a long period of failing health. He had been in poor health for a long time, had often been unable to be at his place of business, but not until within the last few weeks has his condition been the subject of serious concern. For the last week he has failed rapidly and the end came suddenly.

Lucius Freeman Frye was born in Concord, 52 years ago, the son of George C. and Lucella Frye. He was named for Lucius Freeman for many years the town clerk in the town of Waterford. Mr. Frye's father was for many years town clerk in the town of Concord.

His brother, Clinton G. Frye, now deputy county clerk of Caledonia county, St. Johnsbury, was also born in Concord, as was their half-sister, Jennie A. Gilbert, who died in San Diego, California, some twenty years ago.

After the death of Mr. Frye's father, his mother married Albro F. Nichols, then practicing law in Concord, and later the family moved to St. Johnsbury, and Mr. Frye has since made his home on Mt. Pleasant street, his home.

Mr. Frye graduated from St. Johnsbury Academy in the class of 1890, after which he spent a year in Denver, Colorado. After a thorough course in watchmaking in Waltham, Mass., he entered the jewelry store of the late Thad. M. Spencer, where he remained for a long time, becoming exceptionally well skilled in all branches of the business under Mr. Spencer.

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## EARTHQUAKE SHOCK FELT IN AQUILA

ROME, Dec. 29.—An earthquake shock was felt at Avezzano in the province of Aquila this afternoon according to a message received here. No damage was reported.

## EXPECTS ARRESTS IN MOREHOUSE PARISH CASE

MONTELEONE, Louisiana, Dec. 29.—Sheriff Carpenter of Morehouse Parish today declared there would be arrests in the Morehouse kidnapping investigations upon the return of the federal investigators, who were in New Orleans yesterday attending a conference with state officials. He said he had no reliable information relative to the alleged confessions of two persons involving forty-five citizens.

## REDS REPULSED IN ECUADOR REVOLUTION

Former St. J. Boy Says It  
Started With Railroad  
Strike

Will W. Morse, a former St. Johnsbury boy, who is now Vice Consul for the United States at Guayaquil, Ecuador, has written his sister, Miss Flora E. Morse, under date of Dec. 2 and the following description of present conditions in that South American republic will interest our readers:

"We have passed through a social crisis in Ecuador, especially in Guayaquil. It began with a strike on the railroad for higher wages, followed by strikes of the lighting and street car companies in Guayaquil, so that for several days there were no lights and no street cars; then a general strike was called, stores and factories all closed and business suspended. The crisis was reached on Nov. 15, when many stores were broken into by the mob and sacked, who also attacked and disarmed some of the police. The soldiers were called out to quell the riot, and only after about 250 of the mob had been killed and as many more wounded, was order restored. At one time some of the mob surged around

## Storm Blows Out To Sea and Is Central Today Off N. E. Coast

(By the Associated Press)

BOSTON, Dec. 29.—The Northeast blizzard that swept over most of New England last night had blown itself out early today leaving one schooner wrecked on Cape Cod, railroads, trolley and steamship services disturbed and at least three fatalities. For a storm so severe—velocities of 70 miles an hour being reported in some places and the fall of snow approaching two feet in others—its effects were considered light.

The wrecking of the schooner Annie L. Spindler, near the tip of Cape Cod was the only storm casualty of importance along the New England coast.

The municipal steamer Monitor used in transporting prisoners to the House of Correction at Deer Island, was blown across Boston Harbor and fetched up high and dry. There was no one aboard.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The storm that has been sweeping the Middle and North Atlantic coast was reported today by the weather bureau to be centered east of Cape Cod and moving northeastward. Storm warnings remained displayed from Cape Hatteras to Eastport, Me.

PROVINCETOWN, Mass., Dec. 29.—The schooner Annie L. Spindler of Yarmouth, N. S., was wrecked at Race Point today and the crew of six men rescued by breeches buoy. It was reported that the vessel was loaded with liquor. Capt. Collins of the Coast guard crew which rescued the schooner said he had no official knowledge of the contents of the boat.

The schooner was high and dry at half tide apparently with little chance of being floated. Her cargo, however, can be saved. The captain and crew were exhausted from their hours of exposure.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—The steamer Monmouth from Boston to Norfolk is water logged and in distress in a terrific gale off Cape May. Coast guard savers have just put out to her assistance.

SALEM, Mass., Dec. 29.—For the second successive day traffic on the Boston and Maine was blocked for a time by a minor accident near the Salem station early this morning. The accident occurred when a shifting engine struck a corner of a freight train.

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## VOTERS and TAX PAYERS

Do you want a better governed town?  
Do you want your money's worth for the taxes you pay?

Do you want to know who the kickers are against a well-managed town?

Do you want to know where the town manager plan, as advocated by Mr. George Caldwell, is a big success?

Do you want to know just how St. Johnsbury at its village meeting next Wednesday, can adopt the town manager plan?

There are no ifs and ands and buts about this information.

Mr. Arthur F. Stone, editor of the Caledonian-Record, has just returned from an investigation of the town manager plan in Springfield, Vt., where he formerly lived and where he knows personally most of the leading citizens and business men. He will write a series of three articles, beginning today, on just how the town manager plan works out.

Don't fail to read every one of the articles. Then make up your mind how you want to vote at the Village meeting on Wednesday.

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